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In the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 14, line 23, with the following rewritten paragraph:

After the copying job is finished (i.e., the user has been logged ~~of~~ off from the copy station 4), the control device disables the MFD 2 for copying and the copy station 4 takes the server MFD queue 42 off of the pause state. While printing, the MFD 2 is displayed as "unavailable" to users at the copy station, and users are not able to enable the MFD for copying until the printing is finished.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 15, line 7, with the following rewritten paragraph:

Turning to FIG. 7, a flow chart which describes the steps taken by the system to control copying of the MFD 2 is shown. A first step (Block ~~80~~ 60) is to decide whether the MFD 2 is idle or not. If the MFD 2 is idle, then a message is displayed at the copy station that the MFD is available for copying, at Block 62. Thus a user may activate the MFD for copying at a copy station 4 and begin making copies. On the other hand, if the MFD 2 is not idle, then a message is displayed at the copy station 4 that the MFD is unavailable for copying, at Block 64, and the MFD cannot be enabled for copying until the MFD's print queue 48 is empty.

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Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 15, line 20, with the following rewritten paragraph:

When the user logs onto a copy station 4 for copying, the copy station sends a request to the system print server 49 for it to poll the status of the MFD's internal printer queue 48, at Block 66. If the MFD print queue 48 is empty (i.e., the MFD 2 is idle), it informs the copy station ~~6~~ 4 that the MFD is available for copying. If there are any jobs in the MFD print queue 48, it informs the copy station ~~6~~ 4 that the MFD 2 is unavailable.